

AMENDMENTS TO THE CLAIMS

This listing of claims replaces all prior versions and listings of claims in the application:

1. (currently amended) A method of displaying a POI icon at the location point of a POI on a map displayed by a navigation system, comprising:
 defining a plurality of POI categories;
 storing a location point and a type of POI for every POI in each category;
 displaying the map image including POIs located on the map, wherein
 POIs in each category ~~on the map are displayed~~ by a common POI icon, ~~where and the~~
 POI icons for different POI categories are visually distinct; and
 displaying the type of POI within a category when a POI icon is selected
on the map image.

2. (previously presented) A method according to claim 1, wherein one POI category is restaurants and said type of POI is type of food classified by country.

3. (original) A method according to claim 1, wherein the map is scrolled by an operation for moving a cursor and the POI icon corresponding to a POI is selected by said cursor.

4. (original) A method according to claim 3, further comprising:
 storing a POI name for each POI;
 displaying POI names of a plurality of POI icons which are overlapped by the cursor; and
 selecting the POI icon corresponding to a desired POI by selecting the POI name of said POI among said plurality of POI names.

5. (original) A method according to claim 1, wherein a destination is set after selecting the POI icon, thereby searching a route to the POI corresponding to said POI icon.

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6. (currently amended) A method of displaying a POI icon at the location point of a POI on a map displayed by a navigation system, comprising:

defining a plurality of POI categories;

storing a location point and a type of POI for every POI in each category;

presetting the type of POI in a selected POI category;

displaying the map image including POIs located on the map, wherein

POIs of said preset type of POI ~~on the map~~ are displayed by a common POI icon, where and the POI icons for different POI categories are visually distinct; and

displaying the type of POI within a category when a POI icon is selected on the map image.

7. (previously presented) A method according to claim 6, wherein one POI category is restaurants and said type of POI is type of food classified by country.

8. (original) A method according to claim 6, wherein the map is scrolled by an operation for moving a cursor and the POI icon corresponding to a POI is selected by said cursor.

9. (original) A method according to claim 8, further comprising:
storing a POI name for each POI;
displaying POI names of a plurality of POI icons which are overlapped by the cursor; and
selecting the POI icon corresponding to a desired POI by selecting the POI name of said POI among said plurality of POI names.

10. (original) A method according to claim 6, wherein a destination is set after selecting the POI icon, thereby searching a route to the POI corresponding to said POI icon.

11. (currently amended) A method of displaying a POI icon at the location point of a POI on a map displayed by a navigation system, comprising:

moving a cursor relative to the displayed map, the cursor indicating a predetermined area and a cursor instructing point;

displaying an index including a POI name of at least one POI located in the predetermined area indicated ~~icon-selected~~ by the cursor and a location corresponding to the cursor instructing point; and

selecting a POI name or the location corresponding to the cursor instructing point from the index.

12. (original) A method according to claim 11, further comprising:
storing a type of food for every restaurant; and
displaying the type of food in a restaurant, when selecting the POI name corresponding to said restaurant.

13. (original) A method according to claim 12, wherein said type of food is classified by country.

14. (previously presented) A method according to claim 11, wherein the location corresponding to the cursor instructing point is selected and, thereafter, said location is set as a destination, thereby searching a route to said location.

15. (previously presented) A method according to claim 11, wherein a POI name is selected and, thereafter, a destination is set, thereby searching a route to the facility corresponding to said POI.

16. (previously presented) A method of displaying a POI icon at the location point of a POI on a map displayed by a navigation system, comprising:
displaying a POI icon of each POI at a location point on the map;
moving a cursor relative to the map, the cursor indicating a predetermined area; and

displaying only one POI icon and deleting the other POI icons, when a plurality of the same POI icons are included within said predetermined area indicated by the cursor.

17. (currently amended) A navigation system for displaying a Point of Interest (POI) icon at the location point of a POI on a map, comprising:

means for storing a location point and a type of POI for every POI in each of a plurality of POI categories;

means for displaying the map image including POIs located on the map, wherein POIs in each category ~~on the map are displayed~~ by a common POI icon, where and the POI icons for different POI categories are visually distinct;

means for selecting a POI icon on the map image; and

means for displaying the type of POI within a category when a POI icon is selected.

18. (currently amended) A navigation system for displaying a Point of Interest (POI) icon at a displayed location point of a POI on a map, comprising:

means for storing a location point and a type of POI for every POI in each of a plurality of POI categories;

means for presetting the type of POI in a selected POI category;

means for displaying the map image including POIs located on the map, wherein POIs of said preset type of POI ~~on the map are displayed~~ by a common POI icon, ~~where and~~ the POI icons for different POI categories are visually distinct;

means for selecting a POI icon on the map image; and

means for displaying the type of POI within a category when a POI icon is selected.

19. (currently amended) A navigation system for displaying a Point of Interest (POI) icon at a displayed location point of a POI on a map, comprising:

means for moving a cursor relative to the displayed map, the cursor indicating a predetermined area and a cursor instructing point;

means for displaying an index including a POI name of at least one POI ~~icon selected~~ located in the predetermined area indicated by the cursor and a location corresponding to the cursor instructing point; and

means for selecting a POI name or the location corresponding to the cursor instructing point from the index.

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